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Fahrenheit 451 Essay Editing

Complete the following sheet as you edit your essay. It will help you catch catch any mistakes and fix make your essay better!

Overall:

1. Do you have a title? Yes No

If yes, write it on the line. If no, create one: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Next, read through your paper and circle any place you used, “I” “me” “we” “you” “us” “your”. Fix it to ONLY use he/she/it/they/them.
2. Read through your paper again. Do you use present tense? Yes No

Example: Do you say, “Beatty IS in favor of censorship” NOT “Beatty WAS in favor of censorship”? Fix any past tense sentences to present tense (Montag **kills** Beatty, NOT Montag **killed** Beatty). List an example from your essay where you use present tense:

Opening Paragraph:

1. Underline your opening grabber. List it it below. If you don’t have one, spend some time thinking of one and write it below.
2. Is the book title, Fahrenheit 451, listed in your introduction? Yes No

If it’s not, add it in. Is it underlined or italicized? If not, fix this on your paper.

1. Is Ray Bradbury listed as the author next to the book title? Yes No

If not, add his name in your introduction.

1. Do you have several sentences of background information? Yes No

What characters/ events do you cover in your introduction (list below):

1. Highlight your thesis. Is it the last sentence of your first paragraph? Does it argue a point? Does it list three reasons? If not, fix it on your paper. List your thesis below:

Body Paragraphs:

1. Your first body paragraph needs to start with a sentence explaining your first point, “One reason Beatty is in favor of censorship is...”. Does yours sound like this? Fix it in your paper. List the topic sentence from your body paragraph below:
2. Do your body paragraphs have a quote? Does it look like this? Montag says, “...we’ve stopped in front of my house” (110). If not, fix it on your paper. List one of your quotes below (formatted correctly):
3. Does your body paragraph end with a quote (it shouldn’t!)? Yes No

Make sure you write a wrap-up sentence ending your paragraph (This shows Beatty is

in favor of censorship). List your wrap up sentence or an example of one below:

1. Does your essay have five paragraphs? How many more do you need? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In the space below, list some revisions you still need to make on your paper. This is just a draft, so it’s okay that it needs some work. Make sure you are detailed in your response below, so you make sure your paper has all the necessary components and is done well!

Remember to ask Ms. B if you need any help! :)